

## Message Text

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SUBJ: INTERPLAN PROPOSAL

FOR WYGANT, AF/W

REF A. STATE 174690 B. DIES-WYGANT LETTER 11 JULY

1. MR. BURGEAT DID PRESENT INTERPLAN PROPOSAL TO MAXIMILIAN GRIMAUD, SONADER DIRECTOR, ON 26 JUNE DURING HIS LAST VISIT TO COTONOU (REF B). ACCORDING TO LATER BURGEAT CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF, GRIMAUD WAS VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT IRRIGATION IDEA DND BELIEVES IT WOULD BE WORTHWILE VENTURE TO PURSUE. HOWEVER, SONADER LACKS FUNDS FOR PRELIMINARY FEASIBILITY STUDY (FOR WHICH BURGEAT ESTIMATED COST AT ABOUT \$50,000) AND WOULD NEED SMALL LOAN TO FINANCE STUDY, WHICH COULD BE ULTIMATELY INCORPORATED INTO LOAN FOR TOTAL PROJECT IF PROPOSAL ACCEPTED IN SORT OF ARRANGEMENT SIMILAR TO THAT OFFERED BY EXIMBANK. BURGEAT ALSO APPARENTLY LEFT IMPRESSION THAT ADM STRAUSS WOULD PURSUE MATTER OF OBTAINING LOAN FOR STUDY IN WASHINGTON.

2. AS FOR AUTHORIZING DAHOMEAN EMBASSY TO PURSUE NEGOTIATIONS, THIS IS INTERNAL MRGD MATTER ON WHICH POST CANNOT ADVISE. HOWEVER, ON BASIS PAST EXPERIENCE, DAHOMEAN EMBASSY IS NORMAL CONTACT FOR AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN DISCUSSING SPECIFIC PROJECTS. PERHAPS AMB ADJIBADE MIGHT AGREE RECEIVE ADM  
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STRAUSS IF INFORMED SONADER DIRECTOR HAS ALREADY SEEN PROPOSAL

AND COMMENTED FAVORABLY.  
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